

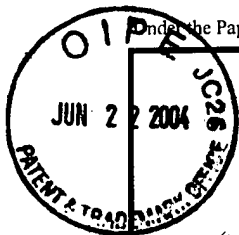
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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicant's representatives would like to thank Examiner Blackwell-Rudasill for extending them the courtesy of a personal interview on May 18, 2004 to discuss this case. The following recordation of the substance of the interview is believed to be complete and proper, in accordance with MPEP 713.04. It is requested that the Examiner notify the undersigned if the Examiner believes this Statement contains any inaccuracies or if the Examiner believes this Statement is otherwise not complete and proper.

Interview participants: (1) Examiner Gwendolyn A. Blackwell-Rudasill; (2) Applicant's attorney, John Dolan; and (3) Applicant's attorney, Eric Snustad.

No exhibit or demonstration was shown during the interview.

Claims 1-47 were discussed during the interview.

The following references were discussed: (1) U.S. 5,837,361 (Glaser et al.); and (2) U.S. 5,935,702 (Macquart et al.).

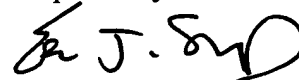
Applicant's counsel suggested the possibility of amending those claims that do not currently recite the feature of a silicon dioxide base layer with a thickness of less than 100 angstroms so as to recite this feature. Applicant's counsel expressly noted the intent to preserve the right to pursue other claims in continuing prosecution in which there would be claimed combinations of features not requiring the base layer to comprise silicon dioxide or to have a thickness of less than 100 angstroms.

The general thrust of the principal arguments made was that the Glaser et al. reference does not teach a silicon dioxide base layer, and that the Macquart et al. reference does not teach a silicon dioxide layer having a thickness of less than 100 angstroms.

No other pertinent matters were discussed during the interview.

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